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Topic: RUSA/YALSA Reference Guidelines Item #10

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Background: During the 2007 Midwinter Meeting the Board reviewed a draft of the proposed guidelines. The Co-Chair of the task force withdrew the guidelines from consideration to make minor changes in accordance with the request from RUSA's Standards and Guidelines committee. A final draft of the guidelines, which incorporates the requested AGAD(d)1087897 /R7 9

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3.6 Endeavor to make online reference services available 24/7 to accommodate teens' busy lifestyles and often unpredictable study and research habits.

4.0 Provide and promote information and resources appropriate to both curriculum and leisure needs of teens.

Teens approach the reference desk with two main types of questions: the "imposed" query (usually a school assignment) and the personal query (often a popular culture interest). Maintaining a collection that is relevant to the interests and needs of teens will help to maintain

Library programs and services for teens should not replicate those of other agencies, but can complement and support them. Investigate possible joint programs for teens. Identify resources

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